

CONNECTICUT NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT

(Excludes agricultural, private household,
self-employed and unpaid family workers)

	Apr. 1988(P)	Mar. 1988(R)	Apr. 1987(R)	% Change Apr. '88 over Mar. '88	% Change Apr. '88 over Apr. '87
Total Nonag. Employment....	1,672,500*	1,655,500*	1,635,700*	+ 1.0	+ 2.2
Manufacturing.....	380,100*	380,800*	388,600*	- 0.2	- 2.2
Durable.....	283,600*	284,300*	291,100*	- 0.2	- 2.6
Lumber & Furniture.....	7,500	7,500	7,400	0.0	+ 1.4
Primary Metals.....	13,300	13,400	13,400	- 0.7	- 0.7
Fabricated Metals.....	43,100*	43,000*	44,100*	+ 0.2	- 2.3
Machinery exc. Elec.....	46,800*	47,100	48,700	- 0.6	- 3.9
Electrical Equipment....	50,600	50,400	50,700	+ 0.4	- 0.2
Transportation Equipment	84,600	85,100	87,500	- 0.6	- 3.3
Instruments & Clocks....	23,700	23,800	25,200	- 0.4	- 6.0
Other Durable.....	14,000	14,000	14,100	0.0	- 0.7
Nondurable.....	96,500	96,500	97,500	0.0	- 1.0
Food.....	12,700	12,700	12,200	0.0	+ 4.1
Textiles.....	3,800	3,900	4,400	- 2.6	- 13.6
Apparel.....	7,100	7,000	7,700	+ 1.4	- 7.8
Paper.....	9,400	9,500	9,300	- 1.1	+ 1.1
Printing & Publishing...	27,400	27,400	28,000	0.0	- 2.1
Chemicals.....	22,200	22,100	21,800	+ 0.5	+ 1.8
Rubber & Misc. Plastics.	12,200	12,300	12,500	- 0.8	- 2.4
Other Nondurable.....	1,700	1,600	1,600	+ 6.3	+ 6.3
Nonmanufacturing.....	1,292,400*	1,274,700	1,247,100	+ 1.4	+ 3.6
Construction & Mining....	81,800*	76,400	76,200	+ 7.1	+ 7.3
Transportation.....	41,000	40,800	38,500	+ 0.5	+ 6.5
Motor Freight & Warehsg.	16,800	16,700	15,500	+ 0.6	+ 8.4
Other Transportation....	24,200	24,100	23,000	+ 0.4	+ 5.2
Communications.....	19,100	19,200	19,700	- 0.5	- 3.0
Utilities.....	13,000	13,100	12,900	- 0.8	+ 0.8
Trade.....	378,400	373,600	364,700	+ 1.3	+ 3.8
Wholesale.....	90,000	88,800	86,700	+ 1.4	+ 3.8
Retail.....	288,400	284,800	278,000	+ 1.3	+ 3.7
General Merchandise....	35,900	36,100	33,700	- 0.6	+ 6.5
Food Stores.....	49,200	49,400	48,400	- 0.4	+ 1.7
Auto Dirs. & Gas Sta...	33,200	32,700	31,900	+ 1.5	+ 4.1
Restaurants.....	77,500	74,900	77,000	+ 3.5	+ 0.6
Other Retail Trade....	92,600	91,700	87,000	+ 1.0	+ 6.4
Finance, Ins. & R.E....	151,600	150,600	148,100	+ 0.7	+ 2.4
Banking.....	35,100	34,900	33,900	+ 0.6	+ 3.5
Insurance.....	79,600	79,300	79,200	+ 0.4	+ 0.5
Real Estate.....	14,800	14,400	14,300	+ 2.8	+ 3.5
Other Fin., Ins. & R.E...	22,100	22,000	20,700	+ 0.5	+ 6.8
Services.....	398,800	392,600	382,500	+ 1.6	+ 4.3
Hotels.....	11,300	10,800	11,400	+ 4.6	- 0.9
Personal Services.....	19,900	19,600	18,900	+ 1.5	+ 5.3
Business Services.....	88,800	87,600	86,500	+ 1.4	+ 2.7
Health Services.....	121,500	120,600	116,200	+ 0.7	+ 4.6
Law & Professional.....	36,000	35,700	33,000	+ 0.8	+ 9.1
Educational Services....	34,400	34,700	33,700	- 0.9	+ 2.1
Other Services.....	86,900	83,600	82,800	+ 3.9	+ 5.0
Government.....	208,700	208,400	204,500	+ 0.1	+ 2.1
Federal.....	25,600	25,500	24,800	+ 0.4	+ 3.2
State & Local.....	183,100	182,900	179,700	+ 0.1	+ 1.9

* Excludes workers idled due to labor-management disputes.

(R) Revised estimate

(P) Preliminary estimate

Manufacturing Production and Related Workers and On-Site Construction Workers

	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS		AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS		AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS	
	Apr. 1988	Mar. 1988	Apr. 1988	Mar. 1988	Apr. 1988	Mar. 1988
MANUFACTURING (Production and Related Workers)						
	Apr. 1988	Mar. 1988	Apr. 1988	Mar. 1988	Apr. 1988	Mar. 1988
	\$446.54	\$450.84	\$432.41	\$41.9	\$10.76	\$10.32
DURABLE MANUFACTURING.....						
	457.80	465.19	443.08	42.4	10.90	10.45
Lumber & Furniture.....	362.79	351.78	322.69	39.4	8.70	8.19
Primary Metals.....	489.58	489.29	478.02	44.8	10.76	10.67
Fabricated Metals.....	435.28	442.53	404.34	41.9	10.17	9.65
Machinery.....	518.90	505.32	501.60	45.6	11.48	11.00
Electrical Equipment.....	346.71	379.66	371.18	41.8	9.10	8.88
Transportation Equipment.....	529.66	529.25	511.68	41.6	12.95	12.30
Instruments and Clocks.....	439.90	449.57	413.10	42.5	9.93	9.72
Other Durable Mfg.....	396.68	392.29	383.35	41.0	9.49	9.35
NONDURABLE MANUFACTURING.....						
	414.23	413.66	399.37	40.3	10.33	9.91
Food.....	390.46	395.79	382.02	37.6	9.86	10.16
Textiles.....	333.32	342.55	322.00	40.1	8.46	8.03
Apparel.....	243.57	244.72	244.83	37.9	6.71	6.46
Paper.....	474.86	465.66	491.73	44.3	11.47	11.10
Printing and Publishing.....	427.78	420.96	381.52	38.0	11.14	10.04
Chemicals.....	538.82	540.67	512.35	43.2	12.33	11.86
Rubber and Misc. Plastics.....	359.31	360.59	354.78	40.5	8.85	8.76
Other Nondurable Mfg.....	304.68	278.73	341.52	39.3	8.73	8.69
CONSTRUCTION.....						
	665.49	648.76	585.18	38.6	15.91	15.94
						15.16

UNEMPLOYMENT IN CONNECTICUT BY STATISTICAL AREA

	Apr.	1988 Ratio to Labor Force	Mar.	1988(R) Ratio to Labor Force	Apr.	1987(R) Ratio to Labor Force
	Number		Number		Number	
State Totals* Actual...	43,400	2.5	52,300	3.1	56,500	3.2
Seasonally Adjusted...		(2.7)		(3.0)		(3.3)

Statistical Areas

(Not Seasonally Adjusted)

Bridgeport.....	7,300	3.2	8,700	3.9	9,100	3.9
Bristol.....	1,000	2.8	1,400	4.0	1,400	3.7
Danbury.....	2,600	2.4	3,200	2.9	3,300	3.0
Danielson.....	1,200	3.5	1,500	4.7	1,600	4.7
Hartford.....	9,400	2.3	11,500	2.8	12,500	3.0
Middletown.....	1,000	2.0	1,300	2.6	1,500	3.0
Lower River.....	400	2.2	400	2.3	400	2.3
New Britain.....	1,800	2.6	2,400	3.4	2,600	3.5
New Haven.....	6,700	2.5	7,600	2.9	8,500	3.2
New London/Norwich...	3,700	2.8	4,300	3.4	4,400	3.3
Norwalk.....	1,500	1.9	1,800	2.3	2,100	2.6
Stamford.....	2,200	1.9	2,400	2.1	2,800	2.4
Torrington.....	1,100	2.3	1,500	3.1	1,500	3.2
Waterbury.....	3,200	3.2	4,100	4.2	4,700	4.6
Willimantic.....	600	2.1	600	2.1	600	2.0

Civilian U.S.

Total-Actual.....	6,359,000	5.3	7,090,000	5.9	7,306,000	6.2
Seasonally Adjusted....		(5.4)		(5.6)		(6.3)

* The two Rhode Island towns of Hopkinton and Westerly are part of the New London/Norwich Statistical Area and are therefore included in the area estimates. As a result, the sum of the area totals will not agree with the State totals.

(R) Revised

* U.S. CONSUMER PRICE INDEX - ALL URBAN CONSUMERS *			
* Base Period (1967 = 100) *			
* Apr. '88 Mar. '88 Apr. '87 *			
* All Items.....	350.8	349.0	337.7
* Percent Change From.....	xxx	+ 0.5	+ 3.9

BRIEF EXPLANATION OF THE CPI-The Consumer Price Index (CPI) is a measure of the average change in prices over time in a fixed market basket of goods and services. It is based on prices of food, clothing, shelter, and fuels, transportation fares, charges for doctors' and dentists' services, drugs, and other goods and services that people buy for day to day living. Effective with the January 1978 index, the Bureau of Labor Statistics began publishing a new CPI for all Urban Consumers which covers approximately 80 percent of the total noninstitutional civilian population. It includes, in addition to wage earners and clerical workers, groups which historically have been excluded from CPI coverage, such as professional, managerial and technical workers, the self-employed, short-term workers, the unemployed, and retirees and others not in the labor force. The CPI shown above represents U.S. city averages and is not seasonally adjusted.

THERE IS NO SEPARATE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX FOR CONNECTICUT OR ANY AREA WITHIN THE STATE.

AREA NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT
BY PLACE OF WORK

Statistical Area	Apr. '88	Mar. '88	Apr. '87(R)	Percent Change to April 1988 from:	
				Mar. '88	Apr. '87
<u>BRIDGEPORT</u>					
Total Nonag. Empl.	200,850*	198,810	196,470	+ 1.0	+ 2.2
Manufacturing	57,500	57,600	58,890	- 0.2	- 2.4
Nonmanufacturing	143,350*	141,210	137,580	+ 1.5	+ 4.2
<u>BRISTOL</u>					
Total Nonag. Empl.	25,470	25,000	25,270	+ 1.9	+ 0.8
Manufacturing	7,380	7,370	8,300	+ 0.1	- 11.1
Nonmanufacturing	18,090	17,630	16,970	+ 2.6	+ 6.6
<u>DANBURY</u>					
Total Nonag. Empl.	82,100	81,430	80,170	+ 0.8	+ 2.4
Manufacturing	24,220	24,120	24,510	+ 0.4	- 1.2
Nonmanufacturing	57,880	57,310	55,660	+ 1.0	+ 4.0
<u>DANIELSON</u>					
Total Nonag. Empl.	23,370*	23,070*	23,050	+ 1.3	+ 1.4
Manufacturing	8,840*	8,830*	9,210	+ 0.1	- 4.0
Nonmanufacturing	14,530	14,240	13,840	+ 2.0	+ 5.0
<u>HARTFORD</u>					
Total Nonag. Empl.	484,410*	482,150*	469,540*	+ 0.5	+ 3.2
Manufacturing	93,080*	93,270*	91,430*	- 0.2	+ 1.8
Nonmanufacturing	391,330	388,880*	378,110	+ 0.6	+ 3.5
<u>MIDDLETOWN</u>					
Total Nonag. Empl.	46,430	46,010	44,900	+ 0.9	+ 3.4
Manufacturing	9,510	9,570	10,540	- 0.6	- 9.8
Nonmanufacturing	36,920	36,440	34,360	+ 1.3	+ 7.5
<u>LOWER RIVER</u>					
Total Nonag. Empl.	14,810	14,570	14,450*	+ 1.6	+ 2.5
Manufacturing	4,580	4,640	4,890	- 1.3	- 6.3
Nonmanufacturing	10,230	9,930	9,560*	+ 3.0	+ 7.0
<u>NEW BRITAIN</u>					
Total Nonag. Empl.	67,290	66,510	65,240	+ 1.2	+ 3.1
Manufacturing	20,850	20,830	21,080	+ 0.1	- 1.1
Nonmanufacturing	46,440	45,680	44,160	+ 1.7	+ 5.2
<u>NEW HAVEN</u>					
Total Nonag. Empl.	255,440*	252,200*	248,890*	+ 1.3	+ 2.6
Manufacturing	46,620	46,460	46,920*	+ 0.3	- 0.6
Nonmanufacturing	208,820*	205,740*	201,970	+ 1.5	+ 3.4
<u>NEW LONDON-NORWICH**</u>					
Total Nonag. Empl.	119,080	117,220	117,140	+ 1.6	+ 1.7
Manufacturing	33,530	33,620	35,040	- 0.3	- 4.3
Nonmanufacturing	85,550	83,600	82,100	+ 2.3	+ 4.2
<u>NORWALK</u>					
Total Nonag. Empl.	73,760	73,220	72,290	+ 0.7	+ 2.0
Manufacturing	19,800	19,800	20,360	0.0	- 2.8
Nonmanufacturing	53,960	53,420	51,930	+ 1.0	+ 3.9
<u>STAMFORD</u>					
Total Nonag. Empl.	128,130	127,330	124,440	+ 0.6	+ 3.0
Manufacturing	23,830	23,990	24,030	- 0.7	- 0.8
Nonmanufacturing	104,300	103,340	100,410	+ 0.9	+ 3.9

**AREA NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT
BY PLACE OF WORK (Continued)**

BY PLACE OF WORK (continued)

Statistical Area	Apr. '88	Mar. '88	Apr. '87(R)	Percent Change to April 1988 from:	
				Mar. '88	Apr. '87
<u>TORRINGTON</u>					
Total Nonag. Empl.	33,520	32,680	32,310	+ 2.6	+ 3.7
Manufacturing	8,010	7,960	7,850	+ 0.6	+ 2.0
Nonmanufacturing	25,510	24,720	24,460	+ 3.2	+ 4.3
<u>WATERBURY</u>					
Total Nonag. Empl.	87,680	87,210	86,170	+ 0.5	+ 1.8
Manufacturing	23,570	23,630	25,040	- 0.3	- 5.9
Nonmanufacturing	64,110	63,580	61,130	+ 0.8	+ 4.9
<u>WILLIMANTIC</u>					
Total Nonag. Empl.	23,220	22,710	23,080	+ 2.2	+ 0.6
Manufacturing	1,950	1,940	1,940	+ 0.5	+ 0.5
Nonmanufacturing	21,270	20,770	21,140	+ 2.4	+ 0.6

* Excludes workers idled due to labor-management disputes.

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Note: Area employment estimates may not coincide with statewide totals in other publications because they are made independently.

**EARNINGS AND HOURS BY STATISTICAL AREA
MANUFACTURING, PRODUCTION, MAINTENANCE AND RELATED WORKERS**

	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Apr. 1988	Mar. 1988	Apr. 1987	Apr. 1988	Mar. 1988	Apr. 1987	Apr. 1988	Mar. 1988	Apr. 1987
Bridgeport	\$470.95	\$473.20	\$451.26	42.2	42.1	41.9	\$11.16	\$11.24	\$10.77
Hartford	468.35	472.51	438.66	42.5	42.8	41.5	11.02	11.04	10.57
New Haven	410.66	411.68	404.09	40.3	40.4	40.9	10.19	10.19	9.88
Stamford	494.91	491.66	454.66	40.7	40.7	40.2	12.16	12.08	11.31
Waterbury	392.96	387.60	364.56	42.9	42.5	41.1	9.16	9.12	8.87

Note: The averages shown above are influenced by the occupational composition of the area and do not necessarily represent differences between areas in pay for the same occupations. While the statistical areas generally take their names from the major cities, the averages are those for all the towns within the area.

CONNECTICUT ECONOMIC INDICATORS

	<u>Employment</u>		<u>Av. Weekly</u>		<u>Rate Total</u>		<u>Personal Income</u>
	<u>Nonag. (Thous.)*</u>	<u>Seas.</u>	<u>Initial Claims</u>	<u>Seas.</u>	<u>Unemployment</u>	<u>Seas.</u>	<u>Millions</u>
	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Adj.</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Adj.</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Adj.</u>	<u>Seasonally Adj.</u>
1987							
Jan....	1603.5	1626.1	5938	3740	4.0	3.5	\$5001.4
Feb....	1597.0	1623.8	3593	4081	4.0	3.5	5035.0
Mar....	1616.2	1632.5	2668	3547	3.8	3.5	5044.3
Apr....	1635.7	1635.6	2592	3199	3.2	3.3	5043.2
May....	1645.6	1638.0	2455	3283	3.2	3.4	5063.6
Jun....	1664.3	1643.8	2861	3066	3.3	3.3	5087.8
Jul....	1640.8	1646.8	4588	3123	3.3	3.2	5091.8
Aug....	1634.2	1647.2	2739	2970	3.3	3.3	5130.8
Sep....	1648.8	1645.5	1789	2959	2.9	3.2	5144.9
Oct....	1657.5	1647.6	1952	2823	2.9	3.3	5172.9
Nov....	1667.4	1650.0	2318	2800	2.9	3.2	5212.1
Dec....	1676.6	1652.4	5125	2901	3.1	3.2	5240.3
1988							
Jan....	1646.3	1669.7	5713	3598	3.7	3.3	5273.4
Feb....	1645.6	1672.4	3286	3734	3.6	3.3	5318.1
Mar....	1655.5(R)	1672.2(R)	2424	3223	3.1	3.0	5322.3(R)
Apr....	1672.5(P)	1672.5(P)	2596	3205	2.5	2.7	5329.9(P)
May....							
Jun....							
Jul....							
Aug....							
Sep....							
Oct....							
Nov....							
Dec....							

	<u>New Auto</u>		<u>Average Work-</u>		<u>Mfg. Output</u>	
	<u>Registrations</u>	<u>Seas.</u>	<u>Week Hours</u>	<u>Seas.</u>	<u>(1967=100)</u>	<u>Seas.</u>
	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Adj.</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Adj.</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Adj.</u>
1987						
Jan....	13430	14561	42.0	42.0	133.8	128.4
Feb....	12036	15099	42.0	42.0	132.3	127.9
Mar....	12797	13252	42.1	42.0	132.1	127.0
Apr....	14894	13430	41.9	42.0	130.8	126.4
May....	11027	11098	42.2	42.4	132.0	128.2
Jun....	11862	11754	42.3	42.3	129.1	125.3
Jul....	15214	15198	42.0	42.3	105.5	123.4
Aug....	12547	11645	41.6	42.3	108.5	124.7
Sep....	17917	15913	42.0	42.1	127.7	124.5
Oct....	12587	13485	42.1	42.1	130.4	126.0
Nov....	14508	13907	42.0	41.6	130.4	124.4
Dec....	20320	19862	42.7	42.1	121.6	127.7
1988						
Jan....	11903	12910	42.3	42.3	130.7	125.4
Feb....	11959	15005	41.6	41.6	128.1	123.9
Mar....	25076**	25959**	41.9	41.8	127.4	122.4
Apr....	19924	17966	41.5	41.5	128.0	123.7
May....						
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Jul....						
Aug....						
Sep....						
Oct....						
Nov....						
Dec....						

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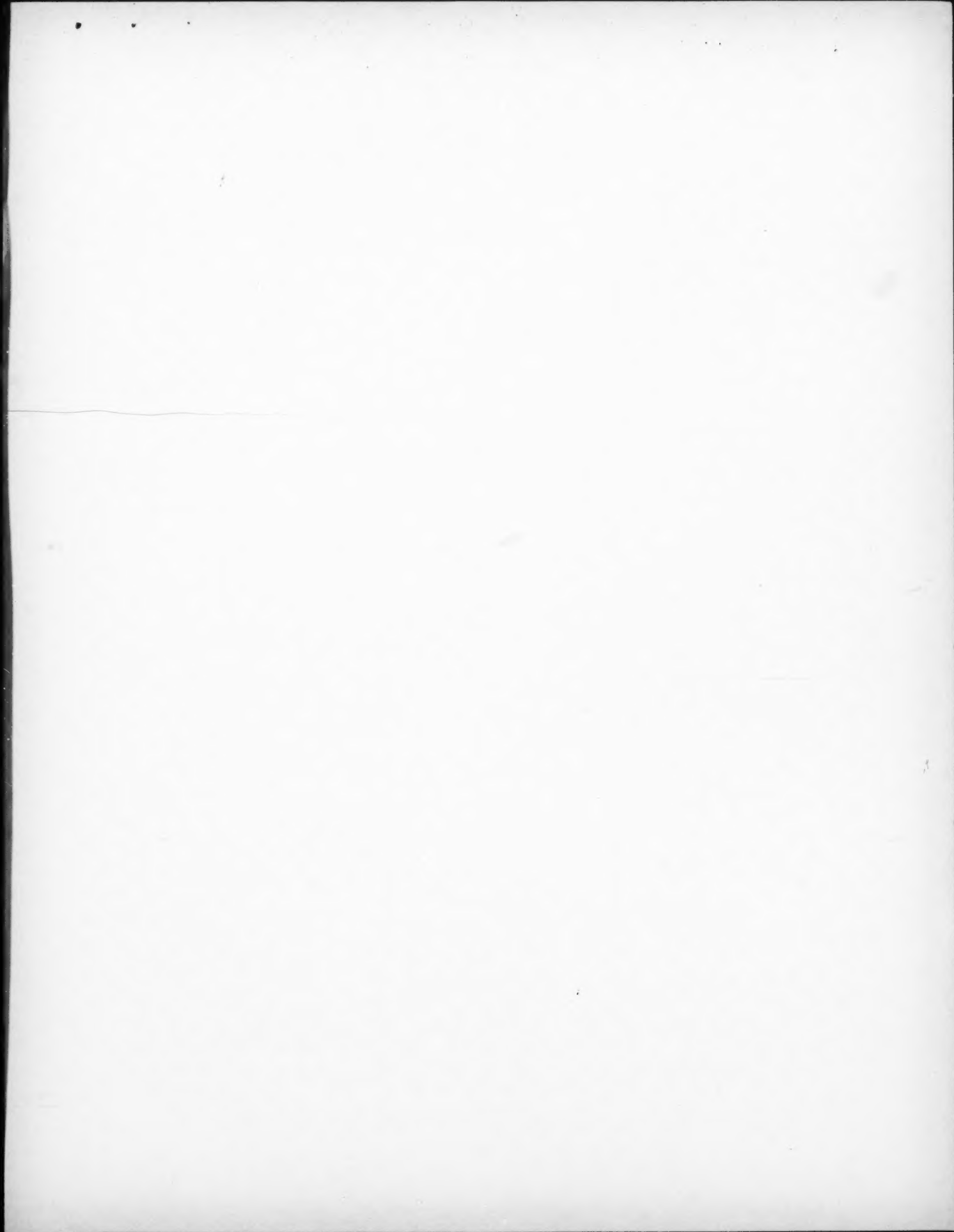
** Data affected by administrative factors

CONNECTICUT UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE BENEFIT FINANCIAL DATA

	Average Weekly Insured Unemployed	Unemployment Benefits Paid	Employer Contributions Collected	Federal Loans	
1973	36,314	\$117,610,000	\$114,163,000	1972	31,800,000
1974	49,255	163,258,000	124,859,000	1973	21,700,000
				1974	8,500,000
1975	83,971	298,345,000	140,940,000	1975	203,000,000
1976	67,864	238,013,000	164,922,000	1976	137,000,000
1977	53,699	193,150,000	177,719,000	1977	75,000,000
1978	37,220	138,351,000	189,892,000	1978	37,000,000
1979	30,876	114,926,000	181,376,000	1983	63,806,000*
				Direct Loan Repayments	
1980	37,463	163,644,000	174,402,000	1976	\$ 26,000,000
1981	36,507	173,725,000	167,840,000	1977	27,300,000
1982	47,952	262,962,000	183,733,000	1978	37,300,000
1983	40,251	232,255,000	201,578,000	1979	39,600,000
1984	25,428	154,180,000	238,511,000	1984	30,876,000
				1985	32,930,000
1985	26,449	177,887,000	249,065,000	1986	40,187,000
1986	24,950	175,584,000	238,705,000		
1987	20,619	158,278,000	211,387,000		
Jan '87	33,123	\$18,946,000	\$ 5,870,000	Loan Repayments Via Employer Tax Credit Reduction	
Feb	30,100	18,498,000	18,865,000	1975	\$ 12,906,000
Mar	26,818	19,687,000	1,020,000	1981	46,537,000
				1982	49,496,000
Apr	21,177	13,323,000	27,114,000	1983	53,975,000
May	18,023	11,309,000	81,325,000	1984	57,349,000
Jun	17,311	11,480,000	1,096,000	1985	61,138,000
				1986	64,475,000r
Jul	20,296	12,543,000	19,971,000	Total Outstanding Loans (4/30/88)	
Aug	20,297	12,346,000	27,660,000		
Sep	15,393	9,787,000	825,000		\$ 0
Oct	13,773	8,748,000	8,131,000	Ct. UC Trust Fund	
Nov	13,968	9,606,000	18,945,000	Reserve - (4/30/88)	
Dec	17,145	12,005,000	565,000	\$239.1 million	
Jan '88	29,855	18,603,000	4,976,000		
Feb	27,794	20,447,000	18,143,000		
Mar	24,706	19,543,000	694,000		
Apr	19,890	13,396,000	22,221,000		
May					
Jun					
Jul					
Aug					
Sep					
Oct					
Nov					
Dec					

*Interest bearing

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CONNECTICUT

TABLE I

Employment Status of the Civilian Noninstitutional Population 16 Years of Age and Older
By Sex, Race, Hispanic Origin and Marital Status
1987 Annual Averages (Numbers in Thousands) 1/

Population Group	Civilian Noninstitutional Population 16 & Over	-Civilian Labor Force-		-Employment-		-Unemployment-		Error Range of Rate 2/
		Number	Percent of Population	Number	Percent of Population	Number	Rate	
Total	2,506	1,752	69.9	1,695	67.6	58	3.2	2.8 - 3.8
Men	1,178	936	79.6	906	76.9	32	3.4	2.7 - 4.1
Women	1,328	815	61.4	789	59.4	26	3.2	2.5 - 3.9
Both Sexes, 16-19	185	111	60.3	99	53.7	12	11.1	7.7 - 14.4
White	2,345	1,629	69.5	1,580	67.4	50	3.0	2.6 - 3.5
Men	1,095	870	79.4	842	76.9	28	3.2	2.5 - 3.8
Women	1,249	759	60.8	737	59.0	22	2.9	2.2 - 3.6
Both Sexes, 16-19	166	101	61.0	91	55.1	10	9.7	6.4 - 13.0
Black	146	114	78.0	107	72.8	8	6.7	3.8 - 9.5
Men	75	63	83.7	59	78.9	4	5.7	2.2 - 9.3
Women	72	52	72.0	48	66.4	4	7.8	3.2 - 12.4
Hispanic Origin	98	70	70.9	65	65.8	5	7.3	3.5 - 11.0
Single (never married)	670	517	77.1	486	72.4	31	6.1	4.9 - 7.3
Married, spouse present	1,415	1,010	71.4	990	70.0	20	2.0	1.5 - 2.5
Other Marital Status 3/	421	225	53.5	219	52.0	7	2.9	1.6 - 4.2

TABLE II

Employment Status of the Civilian Noninstitutional Population 16 Years of Age and Older
By Sex, Age, and Marital Status
1987 Annual Averages (Numbers in Thousands) 1/

Population Group	Civilian Noninstitutional Population 16 & Over	-Labor Force-		-Employment-		-Unemployment-		Error Range of Rate 2/
		Number	Percent of Population	Number	Percent of Population	Number	Rate	
Total								
16 to 19 years	185	111	60.3	99	53.7	12	11.1	7.7 - 14.4
20 to 24 years	253	212	83.7	202	79.9	10	4.6	2.9 - 6.2
25 to 34 years	544	473	87.0	459	84.3	15	3.1	2.2 - 4.0
35 to 44 years	439	379	86.2	371	84.4	8	2.1	1.3 - 2.8
45 to 54 years	338	291	86.0	283	83.8	7	2.5	1.5 - 3.5
55 to 64 years	339	227	66.9	223	65.8	4	1.7	0.7 - 2.6
65 yrs. and over	408	60	14.7	58	14.1	2	3.7	1.0 - 6.5
Men								
16 to 19 years	96	57	59.9	50	52.5	7	12.3	7.5 - 17.2
20 to 24 years	124	106	86.2	99	80.4	7	6.7	4.0 - 9.4
25 to 34 years	260	250	96.2	243	93.5	7	2.8	1.6 - 4.0
35 to 44 years	208	204	98.2	200	96.4	4	1.9	0.8 - 2.9
45 to 54 years	166	161	97.9	156	94.0	5	3.1	1.5 - 4.6
55 to 64 years	160	129	80.3	128	79.5	1	1.0	4/ - 1.9
Single (never married)	347	247	78.9	256	73.6	18	6.7	5.0 - 8.4
Married, spouse present	714	584	81.8	573	80.3	11	1.9	1.3 - 2.5
Other marital status 3/	118	80	68.0	78	66.0	2	3.0	0.8 - 5.2
Women								
16 to 19 years	89	54	60.9	49	54.9	5	9.7	5.2 - 14.2
20 to 24 years	130	105	81.3	103	79.4	3	2.4	0.7 - 4.1
25 to 34 years	284	223	78.5	215	75.8	8	3.5	2.1 - 4.8
35 to 44 years	232	175	75.4	171	73.6	4	2.3	1.0 - 3.6
45 to 54 years	172	130	75.4	127	74.0	2	1.8	0.4 - 3.1
55 to 64 years	178	98	54.8	95	53.4	3	2.6	0.8 - 4.5
Single (never married)	323	243	75.2	230	71.1	13	5.4	3.7 - 7.0
Married, spouse present	701	426	60.8	418	59.5	9	2.1	1.3 - 2.8
Other Marital Status 3/	303	145	47.9	141	46.6	4	2.8	1.3 - 4.4

1/ Items may not add to totals or compute to displayed percentages because of rounding. Detail for race and Hispanic-origin groups will not add to totals because data for the "other races" group are not presented and Hispanics are included in both the white and black population groups.

2/ Error ranges are calculated at the 90 percent confidence interval, which means that if repeated samples were drawn from the same population and an error range constructed around each sample estimate, in 9 out of 10 cases the true value based on a complete census of the population would be contained within these error ranges.

3/ "Other marital status" includes divorced, widowed, separated, and married with spouse absent.

4/ Less than .05 percent.

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New gains were recorded in the state's economy during May when employment was at a 1988 high, unemployment dropped, personal income set a new record and there were fewer claims for unemployment benefits, it is reported by State Labor Commissioner Betty L. Tianti.

Employment, Wages and Hours: Jobs increased by 8,200 from April to a high for the year at 1,674,300 which was 28,700 above May 1987 (page 2). A monthly drop (0.6%) in manufacturing employment was offset by a 3 percent gain in the nonmanufacturing sector. The trade category added 4,100 jobs in May, construction employment was up by 3,700, there were an additional 3,500 service jobs and restaurant employment increased by 2,000 over the month. Employment levels were higher between April and May in 11 labor market areas, unchanged in Middletown and Waterbury, and dipped in New Britain and Willimantic (pages 5 & 6).

Factory production wages, reflecting a slightly shorter workweek of 41.3-hours, dropped to a weekly average of \$445.21 from April's \$446.54 (page 3). The hourly rate was \$10.78, up two-cents from the month before. Last year's averages were \$438.04 at \$10.38 per hour for 42.2 hours a week. There was little change in straight-time May wages, \$415.20 weekly and \$10.38 an hour, a 4.7 percent increase over last year when the respective rates were \$396.40 and \$9.91. The highest weekly wages were earned by construction workers, \$654.88; chemicals, \$531.05; transportation equipment, \$529.99 and machinery, \$523.46.

Unemployment: Unemployment declined by 1,200 to 42,200 in May and the actual rate from 2.5 to 2.4 percent (page 4). The 2.6 percent seasonally adjusted May rate was down one-tenth from April. Both May rates for Connecticut remained substantially under comparable national figures of 5.4 and 5.6 percent. Unemployment decreased in all 15 labor market areas from May 1987 levels and was lower than April in nine areas, unchanged in two and there were increases in the remaining four markets.

Included in the estimate are people receiving unemployment insurance benefits, others who were ineligible or whose compensation expired and those entering or reentering the labor force.

Other Indicators: In addition to increased employment and lower unemployment, personal income once again reached a new high of \$5-billion, 335-million (page 7). Elsewhere in the economy, average weekly initial (new) claims for unemployment benefits dropped in May and manufacturing output and new automobile registrations were lower.

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CONNECTICUT NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT

(Excludes agricultural, private household,
self-employed and unpaid family workers)

	May 1988(P)	Apr. 1988(R)	May 1987(R)	% Change May '88 over Apr. '88	% Change May '88 over May '87
Total Nonag. Employment....	1,674,300*	1,666,100*	1,645,600*	+ 0.5	+ 1.7
Manufacturing.....	377,400*	379,800*	386,900*	- 0.6	- 2.5
Durable.....	281,500*	283,500*	289,700*	- 0.7	- 2.8
Lumber & Furniture.....	7,500	7,500	7,400	0.0	+ 1.4
Primary Metals.....	13,000*	13,400	13,300	- 3.0	- 2.3
Fabricated Metals.....	42,200*	43,100*	44,000*	+ 2.1	- 4.1
Machinery exc. Elec.....	46,800	46,800	48,600	0.0	- 3.7
Electrical Equipment....	50,200	50,400	50,300	- 0.4	- 0.2
Transportation Equipment	84,100	84,600	87,000	- 0.6	- 3.3
Instruments & Clocks....	23,700	23,700	25,000	0.0	- 5.2
Other Durable.....	14,000	14,000	14,100	0.0	- 0.7
Nondurable.....	95,900	96,300	97,200	- 0.4	- 1.3
Food.....	12,900	12,700	12,300	+ 1.6	+ 4.9
Textiles.....	3,700	3,800	4,300	- 2.6	- 14.0
Apparel.....	6,900	7,100	7,500	- 2.8	- 8.0
Paper.....	9,500	9,400	9,300	+ 1.1	+ 2.1
Printing & Publishing...	27,000	27,200	27,800	- 0.7	- 2.9
Chemicals.....	22,000	22,200	21,900	- 0.9	+ 0.5
Rubber & Misc. Plastics.	12,100	12,200	12,500	- 0.8	- 3.2
Other Nondurable.....	1,800	1,700	1,600	+ 5.9	+ 12.5
Nonmanufacturing.....	1,296,900*	1,286,300*	1,258,700*	+ 0.8	+ 3.0
Construction & Mining...	82,900	79,200	79,000	+ 4.7	+ 4.9
Transportation.....	41,700*	41,100*	39,400	+ 1.5	+ 5.8
Motor Freight & Warehsg.	16,800	16,600	15,500	+ 1.2	+ 8.4
Other Transportation....	24,900*	24,500*	23,900	+ 1.6	+ 4.2
Communications.....	19,000	19,100	19,400	- 0.5	- 2.1
Utilities.....	13,000	13,100	13,000	- 0.8	0.0
Trade.....	381,300	377,200	368,100*	+ 1.1	+ 3.6
Wholesale.....	89,600	89,300	87,000	+ 0.3	+ 3.0
Retail.....	291,700	287,900	281,100*	+ 1.3	+ 3.8
General Merchandise....	35,800	35,400	34,100	+ 1.1	+ 5.0
Food Stores.....	49,500	49,200	48,600	+ 0.6	+ 1.9
Auto Dlrs. & Gas Sta...	33,500	33,200	32,200	+ 0.9	+ 4.0
Restaurants.....	79,500	77,500	78,800	+ 2.6	+ 0.9
Other Retail Trade.....	93,400	92,600	87,400	+ 0.9	+ 6.9
Finance, Ins. & R.E....	151,900	151,700	148,800	+ 0.1	+ 2.1
Banking.....	34,900	35,100	34,200	- 0.6	+ 2.0
Insurance.....	79,600	79,600	79,700	0.0	- 0.1
Real Estate.....	15,100	14,800	14,200	+ 2.0	+ 6.3
Other Fin., Ins. & R.E...	22,300	22,200	20,700	+ 0.5	+ 7.7
Services.....	399,700*	396,200	387,000*	+ 0.9	+ 3.3
Hotels.....	12,000	11,100	11,900	+ 8.1	+ 0.8
Personal Services.....	19,600	19,900	18,700	- 1.5	+ 4.8
Business Services.....	87,800*	87,400	87,200	+ 0.5	+ 0.7
Health Services.....	121,400	121,100	116,500*	+ 0.2	+ 4.2
Law & Professional.....	36,100	36,000	33,200	+ 0.3	+ 8.7
Educational Services....	34,600	34,400	34,100	+ 0.6	+ 1.5
Other Services.....	88,200*	86,300	85,400	+ 2.2	+ 3.3
Government.....	207,400	208,700	204,000	- 0.6	+ 1.7
Federal.....	25,700	25,600	24,900	+ 0.4	+ 3.2
State & Local.....	181,700	183,100	179,100	- 0.8	+ 1.5

* Excludes workers idled due to labor-management disputes.

(R) Revised estimate

(P) Preliminary estimate

Manufacturing Production and Related Workers and On-Site Construction Workers

	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS			AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS			AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS		
	May 1988	Apr. 1988	May 1987(R)	May 1988	Apr. 1988	May 1987(R)	May 1988	Apr. 1988	May 1987(R)
MANUFACTURING (Production and Related Workers)									
DURABLE MANUFACTURING.....									
Lumber & Furniture.....	\$445.21	\$446.54	\$438.04	41.3	41.5	42.2	\$10.78	\$10.76	\$10.38
Primary Metals.....	457.29	457.80	448.78	41.8	42.0	42.7	10.94	10.90	10.51
Fabricated Metals.....	364.88	362.79	334.13	41.7	41.7	40.5	8.75	8.70	8.25
Machinery.....	493.58	489.58	494.93	46.0	45.5	45.7	10.73	10.76	10.83
Electrical Equipment.....	425.04	435.28	422.13	42.0	42.8	42.9	10.12	10.17	9.84
Transportation Equipment.....	523.46	518.90	506.92	45.4	45.2	46.0	11.53	11.48	11.02
Instruments and Clocks.....	352.59	346.71	378.59	38.2	38.1	42.3	9.23	9.10	8.95
Other Durable Mfg.....	529.99	529.66	506.35	40.8	40.9	41.1	12.99	12.95	12.32
	438.12	439.90	414.54	43.9	44.3	42.3	9.98	9.93	9.80
	387.04	396.68	388.44	41.0	41.8	41.5	9.44	9.49	9.36
NONDURABLE MANUFACTURING.....									
Food.....	412.17	414.23	405.59	39.9	40.1	40.6	10.33	10.33	9.99
Textiles.....	396.37	390.46	381.65	40.2	39.6	37.9	9.86	9.86	10.07
Apparel.....	339.77	333.32	324.79	39.6	39.4	39.9	8.58	8.46	8.14
Paper.....	243.02	243.57	239.47	36.6	36.3	37.3	6.64	6.71	6.42
Printing and Publishing.....	475.59	474.86	495.04	41.5	41.4	44.8	11.46	11.47	11.05
Chemicals.....	415.10	427.78	387.34	37.6	38.4	37.9	11.04	11.14	10.22
Rubber and Misc. Plastics.....	531.05	538.82	527.79	43.0	43.7	43.8	12.35	12.33	12.05
Other Nondurable Mfg.....	363.04	359.31	356.38	40.7	40.6	41.2	8.92	8.85	8.65
	307.25	304.68	366.59	34.6	34.9	41.8	8.88	8.73	8.77
CONSTRUCTION.....									
	654.88	665.49	600.98	40.6	41.2	39.8	16.13	15.91	15.10

UNEMPLOYMENT IN CONNECTICUT BY STATISTICAL AREA

	May	1988 Ratio to Labor Force	Apr.	1988(R) Ratio to Labor Force	May	1987(R) Ratio to Labor Force
	Number		Number		Number	
State Totals* Actual...	42,200	2.4	43,400	2.5	55,400	3.2
Seasonally Adjusted...		(2.6)		(2.7)		(3.4)
<u>Statistical Areas</u>						
(Not Seasonally Adjusted)						
Bridgeport.....	6,900	3.1	7,300	3.2	8,900	3.8
Bristol.....	1,000	2.7	1,000	2.8	1,400	3.6
Danbury.....	2,700	2.5	2,600	2.4	3,300	2.9
Danielson.....	1,200	3.5	1,200	3.5	1,600	4.7
Hartford.....	9,300	2.2	9,400	2.3	12,000	2.8
Middletown.....	1,200	2.2	1,000	2.0	1,500	2.8
Lower River.....	300	1.8	400	2.2	500	2.8
New Britain.....	1,800	2.4	1,800	2.6	2,500	3.4
New Haven.....	6,300	2.3	6,700	2.5	8,400	3.1
New London/Norwich...	3,700	2.8	3,700	2.8	4,200	3.2
Norwalk.....	1,600	2.0	1,500	1.9	2,000	2.5
Stamford.....	2,000	1.7	2,200	1.9	2,700	2.3
Torrington.....	1,000	2.2	1,100	2.3	1,600	3.2
Waterbury.....	2,900	3.0	3,200	3.2	4,400	4.3
Willimantic.....	800	2.7	600	2.1	800	2.9
Civilian U.S.						
Total-Actual.....	6,553,000	5.4	6,359,000	5.3	7,318,000	6.1
Seasonally Adjusted....		(5.6)		(5.4)		(6.3)

* The two Rhode Island towns of Hopkinton and Westerly are part of the New London/Norwich Statistical Area and are therefore included in the area estimates. As a result, the sum of the area totals will not agree with the State totals.

(R) Revised

* U.S. CONSUMER PRICE INDEX - ALL URBAN CONSUMERS *			
* Base Period (1967 = 100) *			
* May '88 Apr. '88 May '87 *			
* All Items..... 352.0 350.8 338.7 *			
* Percent Change From..... xxx + 0.3 + 3.9 *			

BRIEF EXPLANATION OF THE CPI-The Consumer Price Index (CPI) is a measure of the average change in prices over time in a fixed market basket of goods and services. It is based on prices of food, clothing, shelter, and fuels, transportation fares, charges for doctors' and dentists' services, drugs, and other goods and services that people buy for day to day living. Effective with the January 1978 index, the Bureau of Labor Statistics began publishing a new CPI for all Urban Consumers which covers approximately 80 percent of the total noninstitutional civilian population. It includes, in addition to wage earners and clerical workers, groups which historically have been excluded from CPI coverage, such as professional, managerial and technical workers, the self-employed, short-term workers, the unemployed, and retirees and others not in the labor force. The CPI shown above represents U.S. city averages and is not seasonally adjusted.

THERE IS NO SEPARATE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX FOR CONNECTICUT OR ANY AREA WITHIN THE STATE.